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Democrats regain power

Reps. Davis, Holbrook begin sophomore terms

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Two of the Tri-Cities area's state legislators are eager to begin the 90th General Assembly. State representatives Steve Davis, D-Bethalto, and Tom Holbrook, D-Belleville, were sworn in Wednesday during a formal ceremony in Springfield.

The new legislative session marks a return to Democratic power in the Illinois House after two years of a Republican majority.

As expected, State Rep. Mike Madigan, D-Cook, was elected speaker. Holbrook said the Democratic return to power will not be a dramatic change for him.

"Over the past two years, I've worked well with the Republican party

to get my bills passed," Holbrook said after the Inauguration Day ceremonies ended. "I have a very positive relationship with a number of members on the other side of the aisle and I see no reason why that bi-partisan cooperation will change now that the shoe is on the other foot."

But Davis, whose bills were shut out in the last legislative session because, he has said, he was targeted by the GOP, said the return to Democratic power is welcome.

"It feels real good to know I won't be a political target as we begin session this year," Davis said. "But I am more than ready to make the extra effort with my Republican colleagues to get my bills passed."

Both Davis and Holbrook were freshman legislators in 1995, although (See LEGISLATORS, Page 2A)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Reward — Shannon Farrell, right, and a classmate in her Lake School third grade class make artwork out of jars of colored sand poured in layers and manipulated to make shapes during a Good Behavior Afternoon. The afternoons are for children who have had no discipline problems in the previous month. See Page 3A for more photos.

Greene ready for Green Bay

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Former Granite City South High athlete Kevin Greene is ready for a busy weekend.

The all-pro linebacker with the NFC West Division champion Carolina Panthers will be on the field Sunday when his team takes its history-making quest for a Super Bowl berth at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

Greene's weekend began at 4 p.m. Friday when he and his teammates boarded a charter flight to Green Bay, Wis., shared a meal and settled into their hotel rooms.

On Saturday, the Panthers gathered in the hotel ballroom for a three-hour walk-through of the next day's offensive and defensive plays and to finalize the game in their minds.

This morning, it is a team breakfast at 7 — just hours before the kickoff of the NFC championship game.

Greene, like most of his Carolina teammates, is young enough (33) that he cannot remember the glory days of the Packers when Lombardi's legion ran roughshod over Kansas City and Oakland in Super Bowls I and II. But he is old



Kevin Greene

enough and wise enough to know the significance of today's game.

"Even if we were aware of Green Bay's history, it would not be important," Greene says. "Our focus is not on the past but on the present. We're not looking back at Dallas or ahead to the Super Bowl. Our full focus is on Green Bay. Some people think it is easy to let our focus wander with the Super Bowl looming before us. But, in fact, at this stage it is hard not to be focused."

Read more about Kevin Greene and his Granite City coach in Sports, 1B.

Fire kills man in his home

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

A 46-year-old Granite City man died in his apartment Thursday morning after he apparently fell asleep while smoking.

John P. Brown, of 2435 Delmar Avenue apartment A, was pronounced dead at the scene at 9:13 a.m. by Madison County Coroner Investigator Roger Smith.

Brown's charred body was discovered inside the upstairs apartment after firefighters extinguished a blaze at the two-story, four-family flat. Neighbors said Brown had a history of health problems and was a heavy smoker with no known family in the area.

On Friday, a man who said he was Brown's brother asked police for permission to collect some of the dead man's belongings. But there was little to salvage inside the apartment, police said.

An autopsy was performed Thursday. Investigators said it is believed Brown died from smoke inhalation, but an inquest will be held later.

The investigation is not yet complete, but police and fire officials said Brown's body was discovered sitting in a chair that appeared to be the source of the fire.

The floor beneath the chair was burned completely through, according to a report. Assistant Police Chief Kip Pomeroy said the fire could (See FIRE, Page 4A)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Granite City firefighters carry a gasoline-powered fan used to clear smoke out of burning buildings back to their truck after putting out a fatal fire in the second-story apartment at 2435 Delmar in Granite City.

Winter arrives — with vengeance

Winter arrived with a vengeance last week, dumping several inches of snow and plunging the area into single-digit temperatures and sub-zero wind chills.

The good news is that there is no snow in the immediate forecast. About 7.5 inches of snow was recorded near Lambert-St. Louis

International Airport by the National Weather Service. Most of the area received between 4 and 7 inches.

The bad news is that the frigid temperatures are still around — and likely will be until Tuesday or Wednesday.

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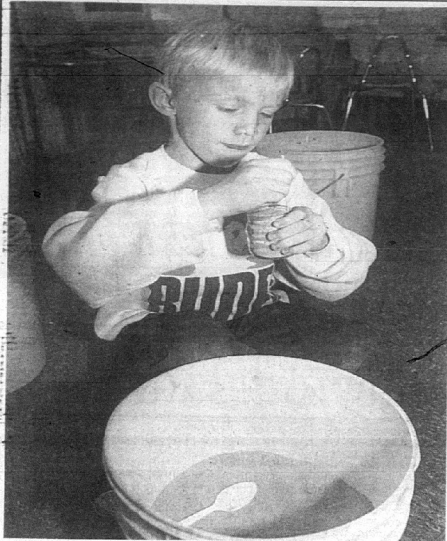
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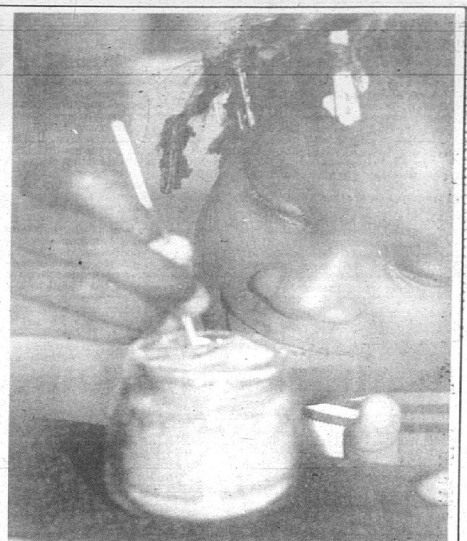
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Above, Lake School teacher Lisa Smith shows a student how to arrange the sand in his jar during a Good Behavior Afternoon. The afternoons are for children who have had no discipline problems in the previous month; they are rewarded with an afternoon of fun activities. At left, Brian Lay finishes off his jar. At right, Jessica Taylor arranges the sand in her jar.



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Snow blower eats part of finger

An Edwardsville man will know Monday whether part of his ring finger sliced off by a

snow blower will heal. Gene Reinke was back home counting his blessings late Thursday after a plastic surgeon worked more than an hour to reattach the finger to save it.

"I did a silly, dumb thing. I stuck my hand in the snow blower to clear out the exhaust, and it took the tip off my left ring finger. It was just hanging there."

The accident occurred about 10:30 a.m. Thursday when Reinke fired up the blower to clear his driveway in the 300 block of Monroe Street.

Reinke was trying out a used blower he bought last year, but it failed its first big winter test, and when Reinke tried to

clear it, the auger caught his hand.

"I had gloves on — old wool and leather dress gloves — but it just went right through that. It ate my finger," he said. Edwardsville firefighters answered the emergency call and assisted him. "It was a little traumatic," Reinke said. "Thank God I had the gloves on, or it could have been worse."

Dr. Michael Beatty, who performed the microsurgery in less than an hour in his office, offered no predictions on whether the finger would grow back.

"If it regains the circulation, we'll go from there. If not, he may have to amputate," Reinke said, praising the surgeon's skill. "He wants to see what it looks like Monday."

Meanwhile, Reinke will probably miss work as a finisher at Olin Corp., a job that takes both hands.

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Natasha' (pronounced Nah-tah-a) is the proud baby girl of Marieta and Nathan Young. Marieta is a homemaker and Nathan works for the city of Venice. At six pounds nine ounces and 19 inches long, Natasha' is the long-awaited girl joining her two brothers, ages 4 and 6.

The Youngs had their baby in one of St. Elizabeth's Labor, Delivery, Recovery and Postpartum birthing suites which allow mothers to labor, deliver and recover in one unique setting.

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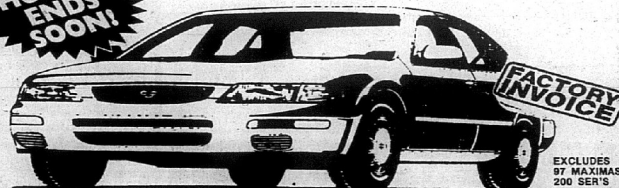
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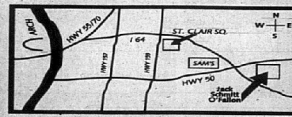
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Wednesday — Breakfast: Cereal, toast, jelly, fresh banana; **lunch:** Chili, crackers, peanut butter sandwich, celery sticks, sliced peaches.

Thursday — Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, fresh orange wedges; **lunch:** Spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, lilo salad dressing, garlic cheese bread, oatmeal cookie, pineapple chunks.

Friday — Breakfast: Waffles, syrup, cup of blueberries; **lunch:** Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato

to soup, crackers, mixed fruit.

Madison Public Schools

Monday — Breakfast: Cereal, toast; **lunch:** Submarine sandwich on hoagie bun, lettuce, tomato, oven fries, granola bar.

Tuesday — Breakfast: Funnel cake; **lunch:** French bread pizza, corn, pineapple.

Wednesday — Breakfast: Cereal, toast; **lunch:** Turkey, gravy, potatoes, gratin, bread.

Thursday — Breakfast: Biscuit, gravy; **lunch:** Spaghetti, meat sauce, garlic bread, toss salad, mixed fruit.

Friday — Breakfast: Eggs, toast; **lunch:** Chicken nuggets, fried rice, cherries, white cake.

Venice Public Schools

Monday — Breakfast: Ham patty, toast, milk or juice; **lunch:** Shrimp, salad, fruit cocktail.

Tuesday — Breakfast: Cereal,

banana; **lunch:** Nachos with cheese, corn, applesauce.

Wednesday — Breakfast: Pizza snack; **lunch:** Polish sausage, baked beans, pears, bread.

Thursday — Breakfast: Blueberry muffin; **lunch:** Grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, peaches.

Friday — Breakfast: Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, grapes; **lunch:** Pizza squares, corn, fruit.

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Monday — Burger on bun, sliced cheese, pickles, French fried potatoes, corn, cookie.

Tuesday — Taco, peanut butter sandwich, refried beans,

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Wednesday — Beef & gravy, potatoes or rice, green beans, salad, bread, pudding.

Thursday — Chili chili mac, crackers, peanut butter, celery & carrots, jello w/fruit.

Friday — St. Elizabeth

Monday — Spaghetti, tossed salad, bread sticks, peaches.

Tuesday — Hot ham & cheese, quesadillas, mixed vegetables, spiced apples, cookie.

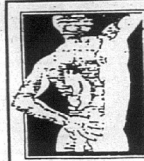
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Prepared Childbirth Class

This class provides eight hours of in-depth preparation for labor and birth, including breathing and relaxation exercises. Options for you and your baby's care at Memorial Maternity Center will be shared to help make your birth a personalized and positive experience. Participants are encouraged to register before the fifth month of pregnancy and attendance is limited to those delivering at Memorial. There is a \$25 per couple fee. Call 257-5855 for class dates and times.

Childbirth Refresher Class

The Childbirth Refresher Class is designed to give experienced parents updated information about the latest trends in labor, delivery and newborn care. Limited to those who will deliver at Memorial, this class is held from 7 to 9 p.m. on the first Monday of the month. \$5 per couple fee. For more information, call 257-5855.

Vaginal Birth After Cesarean (VBAC) Class

This class addresses questions about vaginal births after cesarean (VBAC) and why VBAC's can be safer than repeat cesarean deliveries for both mother and baby. You also will learn how to maximize your chances of having a vaginal birth. Class meets 7-9 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month. It is free to those attending Prepared Childbirth or Refresher Classes (we strongly recommend attending these as well) or \$5 fee per couple if not taking these classes. Call 257-5855 to register.

Baby Care and Parenting Classes

This two-session program teaches you how to care for, play with and protect your infant from birth to age 12 months. Topics presented include: newborn care, infant feeding, baby bathing, when to call the

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Memorial Maternity Center offers a Sibling Class to make it easier for big brothers and sisters to prepare for and accept a new baby. This class is designed for children ages 3 through 12 and meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month. Limited to children whose sibling will be born at Memorial Maternity Center. \$2 per child fee. Class size is limited and reservations are requested. Call 257-5855.

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This class is designed to provide vital information to those who are considering breastfeeding their baby. The class meets from 7 to 9 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month. This class has a \$5 fee per couple. Both parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 257-5855.

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928-1155.

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a.m. - 9 p.m.; T-T & Sat. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Ser-
vice Hours M-F 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m. - 6
p.m. 12101 St. Charles Rock Rd. 291-2322.

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p.m. Tues., Thurs., Sat. 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. 8127
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925 Lindbergh at Olive. 994-1500.

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25-9:00 a.m.

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235-7200. St. Louis (314) 241-8290.

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Movie schedules

Film timetable for Sunday, Jan. 12. For times on other days or to confirm these times, check local theaters.

ALTON CINE

2640 Clair St., 468-1131
The Relic (R) 2:00, 4:45, 7:05
Turbulence (R) 2:15, 5:05, 7:20

AVAILON

4225 S. Kingshighway, 352-2424
Fly Away Home (PG) 2:15
D3: The Mighty Ducks (PG) 4:30
Romeo & Juliet (PG-13) 6:45
Sleepers (R) 9:00

CHESTERFIELD

586 Chesterfield Mall, 532-0155
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30
Mars Attacks (PG-13) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 7:35
The Relic (R) 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10
Turbulence (R) 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30

CLARKSON & CINE

1745 Clarkson Road, 822-4900
Michael (PG) 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:50
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:00, 2:20, 4:30, 7:20, 9:15
Evita (PG) 1:00, 3:10, 7:00, 10:00
One Fine Day (PG) 12:05, 2:30, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10
101 Dalmatians (G) 12:10, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30
Ransom (R) 9:55
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10

CARMIKE PETITE

1700 Hwy. 167, Collinsville, 344-1708
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15
Turbulence (R) 1:10, 3:20, 7:10, 9:20
One Fine Day (PG) 1:00, 3:15, 7:00, 9:15
The Relic (R) 1:00, 3:30, 7:00, 9:30

CRESTWOOD PLAZA 10

268 Crestwood Plaza, 968-8500
Ghosts Of Mississippi (PG-13) 2:00, 4:45, 8:15
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 1:35, 8:05, 8:25
Jingle All The Way (PG) 1:40
Scream (R) 5:35, 8:15
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 1:00, 4:30, 8:30
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:15, 5:30, 8:20
Space Jam (PG) 2:00
Jerry Maguire (R) 4:15, 7:45
The Preacher's Wife (PG) 1:20, 4:40, 8:30
First Strike (PG-13) 1:10, 5:00, 8:00
Turbulence (R) 1:50, 5:40, 8:10
Ransom (R) 1:45, 5:25, 8:05

CREVE COEUR CINE

10870 Old Olive Street Road, 822-4900
The English Patient (R) 1:00, 7:45
Evening Star (PG) 1:30, 5:05
Shine (PG-13) 1:15, 4:45, 8:30
Ghosts Of Mississippi (PG-13) 1:30, 4:30, 8:00

CROSS KEYS CINEMA

111 Cross Keys Shopping Center, 344-1708
Lindbergh & New Heile Ferry, 821-8898
The First Wives Club (PG) 2:15, 4:30
The Associate (PG-13) 6:45
Sleepers (R) 9:00
D3: The Mighty Ducks (PG) 2:30, 4:45
Romeo & Juliet (PG-13) 7:00
High School High (PG-13) 9:15

DES PERES 14 CINE

Manchester & 1270, 822-4900
The Relic (R) 11:30, 2:00, 5:20, 7:55, 10:15
Michael (PG) 11:30, 2:00, 4:45, 7:45, 10:15
Mars Attacks (PG-13) 11:50
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 2:05, 4:35
Ransom (R) 7:05, 9:40
Turbulence (R) 11:35, 1:55, 4:35, 7:15, 9:30
One Fine Day (PG) 11:40, 2:10, 4:40, 7:25, 10:05
Jerry Maguire (R) 12:30, 5:00, 8:15
Ghosts Of Mississippi (PG-13) 12:35, 4:30, 7:45
Evita (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
101 Dalmatians (G) 11:45, 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30
Scream (R) 12:30, 4:30, 7:20, 9:45
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:40, 2:40, 4:50, 6:50, 9:00
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 12:00, 4:30, 7:00

EASTGATE CINE

Eastgate Plaza, E. Alton, 254-2288
The Preacher's Wife (PG) 1:15, 4:45, 7:30
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:30, 7:00
Michael (PG) 2:00, 4:30
One Fine Day (PG) 1:30, 4:15, 6:45
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00
Scream (R) 2:15, 5:00, 7:45

EDDYWOOD EDWARDSVILLE CINEMA

Edwardsville, Ill.
Michael (PG) 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:30
Jingle All The Way (PG) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

ESQUIRE CINE

3102 Clayton Road, 781-3300
The Relic (R) 1:30, 5:15, 7:50, 10:15
Turbulence (R) 1:50, 5:45, 8:05, 10:20
First Strike (PG-13) 2:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:45
Evita (PG) 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:30
The Preacher's Wife (PG) 1:40, 4:45, 7:40, 10:25
Ghosts Of Mississippi (PG-13) 1:10, 4:30, 7:20, 10:10
Jerry Maguire (R) 12:45, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

EUREKA 6 CINE

30 Winthrop Village Center, 822-4900
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:30, 7:15
First Strike (PG-13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:20
Ghosts Of Mississippi (PG-13) 1:10, 4:45, 7:20
Michael (PG) 11:55, 2:10, 5:20, 7:45
The Relic (R) 12:15, 2:30, 4:55, 7:50
Turbulence (R) 12:10, 2:15, 5:10, 7:25

GALLERY 6

30 St. Louis Galleria, 721-8722
101 Dalmatians (G) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30
The Crucible (PG-13) 2:00, 4:45, 7:20, 9:50
One Fine Day (PG) 1:15, 5:00, 7:25, 9:55
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 12:45
Mars Attacks (PG-13) 2:05
Ransom (R) 5:30, 8:20
Scream (R) 8:00, 10:15
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 1:00, 4:15, 7:10, 10:00
Shine (PG-13) 1:45, 5:15, 7:40, 10:10

HALLS FERRY 14 CINE

3000 Tejon Drive, 822-4900
Michael (PG) 12:05, 2:25, 4:55, 7:25, 9:55
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 1:20, 3:20, 5:10, 7:35, 9:45
Space Jam (PG) 12:50, 2:50, 5:35
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 7:30, 9:45
Evening Star (PG-13) 12:10, 2:45
Ransom (R) 5:30, 8:10
The Preacher's Wife (PG) 12:30, 4:45, 7:10, 9:50
Turbulence (R) 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30
Scream (R) 1:10, 4:40, 7:05, 9:30
The Relic (R) 12:00, 2:15, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
One Fine Day (PG) 1:45, 5:40, 8:00
First Strike (PG-13) 12:20, 2:40, 5:20, 7:40, 9:55
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:40, 4:45, 7:45
Ghosts Of Mississippi (PG-13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00
101 Dalmatians (G) 12:15, 2:40, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45

KELLER PLAZA 8 CINE

Lammy Ferry & Main Avenue, 822-4900
Ghosts Of Mississippi (PG-13) 1:10, 2:00, 4:35, 7:10
Scream (R) 12:30, 2:40, 5:00, 7:45
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:20, 7:15
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 11:35, 2:10, 4:45, 7:20
First Strike (PG-13) 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30
Turbulence (R) 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 12:00, 2:30, 4:45, 7:30
Ransom (R) 12:25, 2:50, 5:15, 7:40

KIRKWOOD 8 CINE

7505 Watson Road, 822-4900
One Fine Day (PG) 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:20, 9:55
Mars Attacks (PG-13) 1:05
Evening Star (PG-13) 4:05
Star Trek First Contact (PG-13) 7:15, 9:40
Evita (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
The Relic (R) 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:20
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:00, 2:20, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20
Michael (PG) 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15
101 Dalmatians (G) 11:30, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:00
Shine (PG-13) 1:15, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10

LIBERTY THEATER

615 E. Main (Belleville), 233-0123
The Associate (PG-13) 1:45, 7:05, 9:15
Dear God (PG) 1:30, 7:10, 9:20
First Wives Club (PG) 7:50
Sleepers (R) 9:55

LINDBERGH 8

7545 S. Lindbergh, 487-0617
High School High (PG-13) 1:30, 3:15, 5:00, 7:10
First Wives Club (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00
Fly Away Home (PG) 1:15, 3:20, 5:20, 7:45
D3: The Mighty Ducks (PG) 1:00, 3:10, 5:15, 7:25
Phenomenon (PG) 1:35, 4:50, 7:20
Sleepers (R) 1:05, 4:15, 7:10
Romeo & Juliet (PG-13) 1:20, 4:45, 7:15
Long Kiss Goodnight (R) 1:10, 4:40, 7:30

MID RIVERS MALL

1229 Mid Rivers Dr., 777-2779
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:10, 7:15
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:30, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40
The Relic (R) 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45
Michael (PG) 12:10, 2:40, 5:05, 7:35
Evening Star (PG-13) 12:20
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 3:00, 5:30, 7:50
101 Dalmatians (G) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30
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Evening Star (PG-13) 1:15, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40
Jerry Maguire (R) 12:45, 4:05, 7:15, 10:05
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:00, 2:20, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
The Preacher's Wife (PG) 1:00, 4:10, 7:15
First Strike (PG-13) 12:20, 2:40, 4:50, 7:15
Space Jam (PG) 12:30, 2:45, 5:15
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 7:20, 9:30
Scream (R) 12:10, 2:35, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10

NORTHWEST PLAZA 9

Northwest Plaza Mall, 822-4900
Turbulence (R) 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:30, 9:50
The Relic (R) 12:10, 2:25, 5:05, 7:45, 10:15
Evening Star (PG-13) 1:15, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40
Jerry Maguire (R) 12:45, 4:05, 7:15, 10:05
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:00, 2:20, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
The Preacher's Wife (PG) 1:00, 4:10, 7:15
First Strike (PG-13) 12:20, 2:40, 4:50, 7:15
Space Jam (PG) 12:30, 2:45, 5:15
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 7:20, 9:30
Scream (R) 12:10, 2:35, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10

NORTHWEST SQUARE 10

11150 Old St. Charles Rock Road, 291-0055
Mars Attacks (PG-13)
Michael (PG)
Michael (PG)
The English Patient (R)
101 Dalmatians (G)
The Relic (R) 12:05, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
Jerry Maguire (R) 12:00, 2:45, 5:30, 8:00
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
Evening Star (PG-13) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00
Evita (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:30, 2:20, 4:20, 7:30, 9:30
Ransom (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
One Fine Day (PG) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
One Fine Day (PG) 2:15, 4:40, 7:20, 9:40
The Preacher's Wife (PG-13) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:55
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 12:10, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 12:10, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30

O'FALLON 15 CINE

1320 Central Park Dr., O'Fallon, Ill., 822-4900
Mars Attacks (PG-13) 12:05, 2:25, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20
The Relic (R) 12:05, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
Jerry Maguire (R) 12:00, 2:45, 5:30, 8:00
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
Evening Star (PG-13) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00
Evita (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 12:30, 2:20, 4:20, 7:30, 9:30
Ransom (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
One Fine Day (PG) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
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The Preacher's Wife (PG-13) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:55
My Fellow Americans (PG-13) 11:30, 12:15, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30
People Vs. Larry Flynt (R) 12:10, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30

PEOPLE VS. LARRY FLYNT (R) 1:15, 4:25, 7:15, 10:05

Jingle All The Way (PG) 12:00, 2:00, 4:30, 7:20, 9:25

PLAZA CINE 4

Troy, Mo., 828-2070
First Strike (PG-13) 2:15, 4:30, 7:15
Turbulence (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00
Beavis & Butt-Head (PG-13) 2:15, 4:30, 7:15
Jerry Maguire (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00

QUAD CINEMA

Belleville, Ill.
Michael (PG) 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:50
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
The Relic (R) 1:45, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
101 Dalmatians (G) 1:15, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
Requency Square 8
1095 Requency Parkway, 946-8000
Turbulence (R)
Evita (PG)
First Strike (PG-13)
Ransom (R)

REGENCY SQUARE 8

1095 Requency Parkway, 946-8000
Turbulence (R)
Evita (PG)
First Strike (PG-13)
Ransom (R)

RELIC

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NIGHTLY 7:15, 9:30

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NIGHTLY 7:15, 9:30

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First Strike (PG-13) 2:15, 4:30, 7:15
Turbulence (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00
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Jerry Maguire (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00

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The Relic (R) 1:45, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
101 Dalmatians (G) 1:15, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
Requency Square 8
1095 Requency Parkway, 946-8000
Turbulence (R)
Evita (PG)
First Strike (PG-13)
Ransom (R)

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Honor your parents or friends or rekindle your own memories by placing a special tribute in this special section. The deadline is Friday, January 20, 1997, and the price is the year the couple was wed. For example: If you were married in 1953, the cost of the ad would be \$19.33. To submit your tribute, complete the form below, include photograph & payment and mail to Suburban Journal, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, MO 63131. Please put your name and address on the back of the photos so that we may return them. If you have any questions, please call us at (314) 966-PAST (3278).

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Milestones

Jason Naney celebrates his 22nd birthday today, Jan. 12. Norma and Charles Bennett celebrate their 40th anniversary today, Jan. 12. Stanley Soboleski Sr. will celebrate his 84th birthday Jan. 13. Michael Kilzer will celebrate his 3rd birthday Jan. 13. Joseph Caffrey Sr. will celebrate his 74th birthday Jan. 14. Lottie Ostresh will celebrate her 79th birthday Jan. 14.

"Big" Jeff Padgett will celebrate his 37th birthday Jan. 15. Frankie Dyjeski will celebrate his birthday Jan. 15. Rachel Elaine Hutson will celebrate her 3rd birthday Jan. 15. Ron Wilson will celebrate his 52nd birthday Jan. 15. Steve Watson will celebrate his 39th birthday Jan. 16. Mark Rhoads will celebrate his 32nd birthday Jan. 16. Teri Lake will celebrate her 33rd birthday Jan. 16.

Manuel Kastin will celebrate his 76th birthday Jan. 16. Courtney Bosworth will celebrate her 15th birthday Jan. 16. Lindsay Kay Christopher will celebrate her 4th birthday Jan. 16.

Shawn Thomas will celebrate his birthday Jan. 16. Stacey Pfister will celebrate her 19th birthday Jan. 16. Theresa Arnold will celebrate her 14th birthday Jan. 16.

Charlotte Curt will celebrate her birthday Jan. 16. De'Anna Roseanna Kilzer will celebrate her 1st birthday Jan. 16.

Colleen Treeter will celebrate her birthday Jan. 17. Tiffany Nikole Kesterson will celebrate her 5th birthday Jan. 17.

Tracey Lynn Edwards will celebrate her 24th birthday Jan. 17. Jessica Cavins will celebrate her 12th birthday Jan. 18.

Kalene Nicole Archer will celebrate her 3rd birthday Jan. 18. Maryann Ballentine will celebrate her birthday Jan. 18.

Loren and Isabell Wilhilly will celebrate their 30th anniversary Jan. 18.

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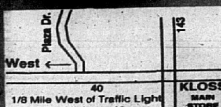
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SIUC marks anniversary of NIT champs

Was it really 30 years ago that Southern Illinois University at Carbondale won the National Invitation Tournament men's basketball championship?

Have 30 winters passed since New Yorkers asked what a Saluki was before future pros Walt Frazier and Dick Garrett answered most ably in consecutive victories over St. Peter's (103-83), Duke (72-63), Rutgers (79-70) and Marquette (71-56)?

Could anyone forget that Jack Hartman was the coach of the 1957 team went 24-2 with a supporting cast that included Roger Bechtold and Jay Westcott of Belleville and co-captain Ralph Johnson of Trenton?

Fans of those Salukis could look to a two-day celebration of the 30th anniversary of SIUC's final season before moving to NCAA Division I during a Jan. 11-12 weekend featuring a \$50 per plate dinner on Saturday and the Salukis-Illinois State game on Sunday afternoon.

Among the key reserves this season for SIUC has been 6-foot-4 sophomore forward Chris Wright of Edwardsville, whose efforts include a 14-point (6-of-8 from the field) game against North Carolina-Charlotte.

In his first year at SIUC after averaging 15 points and nine rebounds per game at Kaskaskia Junior College, Wright is referred to by coach Rich Herrin as "a role player but very versatile."

Slowed by a back strain suffered in the season-opening trip to Anchorage, Alaska, Wright still managed to average 5.3 points per game prior to the start of play in the Missouri Valley Conference.

During his prep days, Wright appeared in two super-sectional contests at the SIU Arena, and, by coincidence, now rooms with Monte Jenkins, whose Rock Island team defeated Edwardsville in the '95 Class AA state tourney.

OVERTIME: Mention of Carbondale continues to turn my thoughts to the high school team there, which should be a powerful entry in the Belleville East Invitational.

In a recent game against Centralia — one which was expected to be close — the Terriers prevailed 75-60 despite a 31-point outburst by the Orphans' Ty Moss. The junior guard connected on eight field goals, including five 3-pointers, and was 10-of-14 from the free-throw line.

For someone doubting the physical play of today's high school teams, consider that 61 fouls were called in that game, which would have been more of a rout had Carbondale shot better than its 22-of-43 from the free-throw line — including 15-of-26 in the last quarter.

Moss is coached by his dad Rick, who was quoted recently as saying that one of the reasons he left the University of Iowa as an assistant was to be able to coach his son. Said Rick: "I figured if somebody was going to screw Ty up, it might as well be me."

Among the father-son efforts I look forward to is one I may have to wait a year at Collinsville, where coach Bob Bone's son, B.J., is a member of the freshman team.

FOOTNOTE: Thanks to sports buff Ron "Fuzzy" Eckert of Millstadt, I got my hands on a Glenside girls volleyball program in November and learned that the Ellie Eight included Kansas High.

Get this: Kansas is a team on the east side of the state with a population of 900. The high school enrollment is 89. This year's team finished at 35-3 but included just one senior.

Warriors hold off Flyers

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

The Granite City Warriors shot to a 30-13 lead against East St. Louis Friday night and then used torrid shooting and clutch rebounding to hang on for a 65-63 Southwestern Conference victory over the Flyers.

The Warriors got 25 points and 19 rebounds from junior Dustin Brewer and survived an injury to Ray Smith early in the third quarter to pull off the upset.

The Warriors played nearly a flawless first quarter, hitting 62 percent of their shots and not turning the ball over once. Meanwhile, their scrappy defense forced the Flyers into four turnovers and 36 percent shooting. GCHS led at the first stop 18-4.

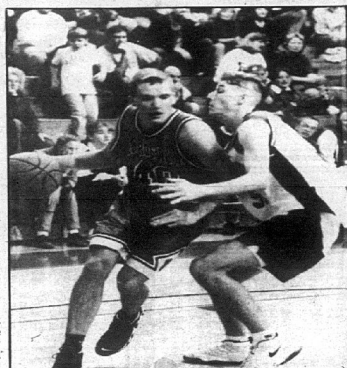
"You have to give Granite City all the credit they deserve," said a dejected East Side coach Dwight Howard after the game. "They came in here with a game plan that worked to perfection. Their sagging defense kept (Spencer) Hughes and (Seth) Kirkpatrick contained until the fourth quarter. Their ballhandling was superb. And their passes off the dribble were the best I've seen this year."

East St. Louis applied a tenacious half-court trap defense in the second quarter, but Granite City consistently found its holes for easy layups. And the rebounding of Brewer and Smith gave the Warriors second and third chances on what few shots they missed.

The game was more than 10 minutes old before Granite City had its first turnover, and by then it was up by 15 points. Eddie Johnson's 25-footer at the second-quarter buzzer cut the Granite City margin to 35-21.

The key play of the game occurred just 1:48 into the third period with the Warriors in command 40-25. Smith, who had already tallied 13 points, went down with a bad ankle sprain. He left the game, never to return.

"We were already short on experience," said Granite City coach John Van Buskirk. "Tim Wallace was hurt and unable to play. It was a tough place to insert a freshman, but Zack May did a great job."



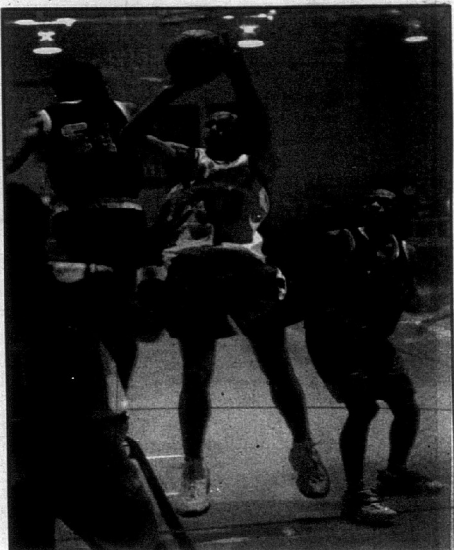
(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)

Jeff Hoenig tries to slow up Edwardsville's Derek Cowan. The Warriors improved to 5-6 with Friday's win.

May held his own defensively and handled the ball well under pressure. But the absence of Ray Smith's offensive punch opened the door for the Flyers.

The East Side guards began to find Hughes and Kirkpatrick underneath and they began to connect, combining for 19 points after Smith left the game. And when the Flyers turned up the intensity on their full-court press, the Warriors improved to 5-6 with Friday's win.

(See WARRIORS, Page 3B)



Venice center Marcus Allen pulls up with the ball during Tuesday's game against East St. Louis Lincoln. The game against Gibault Friday night was canceled because of the weather. Venice (8-3) will play in the Sparta Tournament next week.

Chasing the Pack

Greene, Panthers primed for NFC title game

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

For former Granite City South High athlete Kevin Greene, now an all-pro backer with the NFC West Division champion Carolina Panthers, this is a busy weekend.

It began at 4 p.m. Friday when Greene and his teammates boarded a charter flight to Green Bay, Wis., shared a meal and settled into their hotel rooms.

On Saturday, the Panthers gathered in the hotel ballroom for a three-hour walk-through of the next day's offensive and defensive plays and to finalize the game in their minds.

This morning, it is a team breakfast at 7 — just hours before the kickoff of the NFC championship game.

The Carolina Panthers (13-4) meet the Green Bay Packers (14-3) at 11:30 a.m. today at Lambeau Field in Green Bay for the right to represent the National Football Conference in Super Bowl XXXI on Jan. 26 in New Orleans.

Carolina advanced to today's game with a 26-17 victory over Dallas last Sunday in the NFC divisional playoffs.

Greene, like most of his Carolina teammates, is young enough (33) that he cannot

'Auburn Tiger' overcame odds in climb to pros

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

It's hard now to think of Kevin Greene as a teenager hanging around the old pool at Wilson Park, or snagging rebounds for Don Deterding, or playing defense for Jerry McKeachan. But he was like a thousand-and-one others — a kid with a dream in his heart, but with the discipline and determination to make it come true.

"Coach McKeachan, my defensive coordinator in high school, used to call me 'The Auburn Tiger,'" Greene said with a laugh. "He knew that

I had a passionate dream to play for Auburn and, then, in the NFL. Beyond that, he knew I wouldn't quit until I had reached that goal."

Jerry McKeachan remembers Kevin as a three-sport athlete at Granite City South (football, basketball and track high jumper) who was not very big, standing 6-2 and weighing 160 pounds.

McKeachan

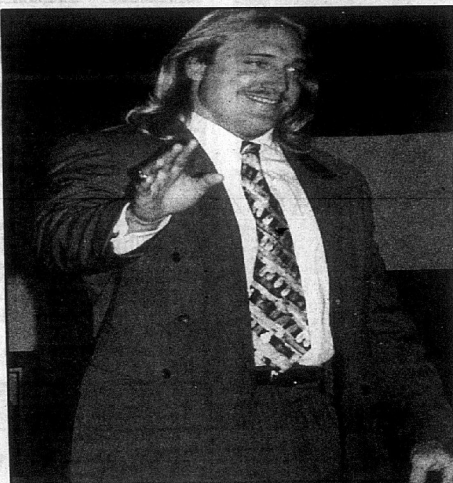
(See GREENE, Page 3B)

remember the glory days of the Packers when Lombardi's legion ran roughshod over Kansas City and Oakland in Super Bowls I and II. But he is old enough and wise enough to know the significance of today's game.

"Even if we were aware of Green Bay's history, it would not be important," Greene says. "Our focus is not on the

past but on the present. We're not looking back at Dallas or ahead to the Super Bowl. Our full focus is on Green Bay. Some people think it is easy to let our focus wander with the Super Bowl looming before us. But, in fact, at this stage it is hard not to be focused."

One matter clearly on the minds of the Panthers' players (See GAME, Page 3B)



(Photo by FAM DOEFK-HURD)

Kevin Greene is back in a familiar position this weekend — playing in the league championship game. After playing with the Pittsburgh Steelers in the AFC championship game the past two years, Greene and the Carolina Panthers are playing for a berth to the Super Bowl today.

Lincoln center stands tall in win over Venice, 64-53

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

East St. Louis Lincoln senior Kimon Green has looked all season like an Athlete of the Week in waiting.

Now the wait is over.

The slender but strong 6-8 center, with long arms and an impressive vertical jump, crossed the threshold in Venice Tuesday night with a triple-double that powered the Tigers to a 64-53 win.

Almost lost in the performance were Green's 14 points and 10 rebounds, both right on his season average. That's because his astounding 13 blocked shots stole the show.

It seemed as if every Venice shot that went up from the paint was returned to its sender stamped with the print of Green's huge outstretched hand. Five times in the first quarter alone, he stuffed would-be scorers who had infiltrated his air space.

"I didn't know I had a triple-double till they told me afterwards," said Greene, the Illinois Journal's Cardinal

Club Athlete of the Week. "I knew I had a good game and a lot of blocks, but I was still surprised."

What a surprise for those who saw the Lincoln senior for the first time this season is the quality of his overall floor game.

His athletic ability helps him produce at both ends of the court and he excels at playing defense away from the ball.

Add in his basketball savvy, and the Tigers have a quality package.

"Kimon is a gifted young man," said Lincoln coach Bennie Lewis. "He has a special gift for the game. He is a strong rebounder and shot blocker. And he is able to stay focused for the entire game."

Does he have a weakness?

"Yes," Green said. "I need to score more. I need to get more active in the offense."

His coach agrees.

"We want him to take more shots — especially from 15 or 16 feet," Lewis said. "Not only do we need him taking those shots for our own success as a team, but if Kimon is going to play college ball, he must learn to take and hit those longer shots. He must become more versatile."

Of Green's seven field goals against Venice, one came off an offensive rebound, one was a tip-in, one was a dunk and two were twisting layups. He also drilled a pair of jumpers from inside 10 feet. He was effective, missing only twice on the night, but was operating too far inside, Lewis (See TIGERS, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Kimon Green led Lincoln with a triple-double in Tuesday's win.

Stats 'n stuff

Prep basketball

Chester Invitational
Monday, Jan. 13
Game 1: Trico vs. Marissa, 6 p.m.
Game 2: Red Bud vs. Perryville (Mo.), 7:30 p.m.
Game 3: Steelville vs. New Athens, 6 p.m.
Game 4: Chester vs. Duplo, 7:30 p.m.
Game 5: Loefer Game 1 vs. Loefer Game 2, 6 p.m.
Game 6: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 15
Game 7: Loefer Game 3 vs. Loefer Game 4, 6 p.m.
Game 8: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 18
Consolation third place: Loefer Game 5 vs. Loefer Game 7, 3:30 p.m.
Consolation championship: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 7, 5 p.m.
Third place: Loefer Game 6 vs. Loefer Game 8, 6:30 p.m.
Championship: Winner Game 6 vs. Winner Game 8, 8 p.m.
Belleville East Invitational
Tuesday, Jan. 21
Game 1: O'Fallon vs. Althoff, 7 p.m.
Game 2: Belleville East vs. Cahokia, 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 22
Game 3: Carbondale vs. High-

land, 7 p.m.
Game 4: Mehlville (Mo.) vs. Belleville West, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 23
Game 5: Loefer Game 1 vs. Loefer Game 2, 7 p.m.
Game 6: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 8:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 24
Game 7: Loefer Game 3 vs. Loefer Game 4, 7 p.m.
Game 8: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 25
Consolation championship: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 7, 5:30 p.m.
Third place: Loefer Game 6 vs. Loefer Game 8, 7 p.m.
Championship: Winner Game 6 vs. Winner Game 8, 8:30 p.m.
Sparta Mid-Winter Classic
Tuesday, Jan. 21
Game 1: Triad vs. Venice, 6:30 p.m.
Game 2: Lebanon vs. Sparta, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 22
Game 3: Sparta vs. Waterloo, 6:30 p.m.
Game 4: Venice vs. Lebanon, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 23
Game 5: Waterloo vs. Venice, 6:30 p.m.
Game 6: Lebanon vs. Triad, 8 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 24
Game 7: Triad vs. Waterloo, 6:30 p.m.

Game 8: Venice vs. Sparta, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 25
Game 9: Waterloo vs. Lebanon, 6:30 p.m.
Game 10: Sparta vs. Triad, 8 p.m.
Nashville Invitational
Tuesday, Jan. 21
Game 1: Nashville vs. Wesclin, 6:30 p.m.
Game 2: Freeburg vs. Madison, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 22
Game 3: Mascoutah vs. Breese Mater Del, 6:30 p.m.
Game 4: Breese Central vs. Gibault, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 23
Game 5: Loefer Game 1 vs. Loefer Game 2, 6:30 p.m.
Game 6: Loefer Game 3 vs. Loefer Game 4, 8 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 24
Game 7: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 6:30 p.m.
Game 8: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 25
Fifth place: Loefer Game 5 vs. Loefer Game 6, noon
Consolation championship: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6, 1:30 p.m.
Third place: Loefer Game 7 vs. Loefer Game 8, 6:30 p.m.
Championship: Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8, 8 p.m.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)
Venice sophomore Shondel Matkins drives inside against Lincoln's Kimon Green.

Journal Writers' Poll
Boys Basketball

LARGE SCHOOLS	
1. DeSmet (12-1).....	60
2. CBC (9-3).....	53
3. Belleville East (10-2).....	49
4. Parkway Central (12-1).....	42
5. Vashon (8-2).....	25
6. Hazelwood East (8-1).....	23
7. Mascoutah (9-1).....	21
8. Lafayette (10-2).....	17
9. Riverview Gardens (5-3).....	12
10. Troy (10-1).....	10

Also receiving votes: St. Charles West (10-2), Edwardsville (7-2), De Soto (9-3), Lindbergh (10-2), Francis Howell North (9-3).

SMALL SCHOOLS	
1. John Burroughs (7-1).....	55
2. Freeburg (8-3).....	54
3. South County Tech (8-0).....	51
4. Gibault (7-2).....	38
5. Madison (9-3).....	31
6. Roary (8-2).....	24
7. Venice (8-2).....	22
8. Lutheran South (8-3).....	18
9. Lutheran North (8-5).....	9
10. Feastus (5-2).....	8

Journal Writers' Poll
Girls Basketball

LARGE SCHOOLS	
1. Gateway Tech (9-0).....	70
2. St. Joseph's (6-2).....	57
3. Pattonville (10-0).....	52
4. Nerinx Hall (7-2).....	44
5. Francis Howell N. (9-2).....	42
6. Belleville East (11-2).....	39
7. Lincoln (8-2).....	28
8. Parkway South (6-2).....	17
9. Cor Jesu (6-4).....	11
10. Troy (8-2).....	11

SMALL SCHOOLS	
1. Rosary (10-1).....	70
2. Wellston (8-0).....	61
3. John Burroughs (3-1).....	51
4. Lutheran North (7-1).....	46
5. Principia (5-1).....	28
6. Windsor (8-1).....	22
7. (tie) Lutheran-SC (6-0).....	21
7. (tie) Visitation (3-2).....	21
7. (tie) Incarnate Word (7-4).....	21
10. Eureka (8-1).....	18

Journal Writers' Poll
Wrestling

Week of Jan. 8	
Team.....	Votes
1. St. Charles West.....	68
2. Granite City.....	65
3. Fox.....	54
4. Oakville.....	52
5. Francis Howell N.....	52
6. Edwardsville.....	50
7. Hazelwood Central.....	21
8. Parkway South.....	19
9. Collinsville.....	18
10. Lindbergh.....	10

Also receiving votes: Rite-north, DeSmet, Francis Howell North.

Hockey

Mid-States Club
Hockey Association

Standings (Jan. 9)	
Tier I	
Division A	W-L-T Pts GF GA
Team	
CBC	15-0-1 31 115 21
DeSmet	14-1-0 28 102 22
Vianney	7-5-4 18 55 45
Chaminade	9-9-1 13 45 70
SLUH	4-11-1 9 46 62
St. Mary's	2-12-2 6 31 68
Individual Scoring	
Player, Team	G A Pts
Tim Niedbalski, DeSmet	27 14 41
Mike Jost, CBC	25 13 38
Chris Kellogg, DeSmet	15 19 34
Bob Kern, DeSmet	14 14 28
Ryan Barry, SLUH	7 20 21
Division B	
W-L-T Pts GF GA	
Team	
Oakville	11-2-2 24 81 31
Parkway Central	11-5-0 22 83 52
Webster Groves	9-6-1 19 70 42
Parkway South	8-5-2 18 47 49
Kirkwood	6-6-1 17 53 57
Parkway West	3-11-2 8 31 71
Individual Scoring	
Player, Team	G A Pts
Brian Bider, Oakville	23 19 42
Chad Rooney, Oakville	18 9 27
Eric Ostip, Kirkwood	19 7 26
Geoff Hartwig, Parkway Central	12 14 26
Brad Bokar, Parkway Central	9 9 24
Division C	
W-L-T Pts GF GA	
Team	
Howell North	13-1-2 26 86 50
Haz. Central	12-4-1 25 61 54
Francis Howell	6-6-3 15 43 40
Granite City	6-6-2 14 69 73
Ladue	5-9-2 12 47 60
Whitfield	3-12-1 7 49 105
Individual Scoring	
Player, Team	G A Pts
Dan Zahner, Howell North	18 12 30
Prastor Amos, Whitfield	19 9 28
Mike Guffey, Granite City	10 10 20
Todd Wilmes, Howell North	14 12 28
Kirk Post, Howell North	15 8 23



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)

GCHS senior Kyle Briggs passes back to senior teammate Jeff Hoenig as Belleville West's Joe Glauber defends.

Boys basketball

BELLEVILLE EAST LANCERS

January	W-L-T Pts GF GA
14 East St. Louis.....	7-45 p.m.
18 Centralia Shootout.....	6:15 p.m.
21-25 Belleville E. Invitational/TBA	7:45 p.m.
31 East St. Louis.....	7:45 p.m.

February	W-L-T Pts GF GA
1 ESL Lincoln.....	7:45 p.m.
7 at Granite City.....	7:45 p.m.
14 at Edwardsville.....	7:45 p.m.
15 Quincy.....	6:15 p.m.
22 Belleville West.....	7:45 p.m.
28 at East St. Louis.....	7:45 p.m.

BELLEVILLE WEST MAROONS

January	W-L-T Pts GF GA
17 at Cahokia.....	6:15 p.m.
18 at Collinsville.....	6:15 p.m.
31 at ESL Lincoln.....	6:15 p.m.

February	W-L-T Pts GF GA
7 at East St. Louis.....	6:15 p.m.
14 at Alton.....	6:15 p.m.
14 at Granite City.....	6:15 p.m.
15 at Althoff.....	6:15 p.m.
21 Edwardsville.....	6:15 p.m.
22 at Belleville East.....	6:15 p.m.
28 Collinsville.....	6:15 p.m.

CAHOKIA COMANCHES

January	W-L-T Pts GF GA
17 Belleville West.....	6:15 p.m.
18-20 Belleville E. Invitational/TBA	6:15 p.m.
31 at O'Fallon.....	6:15 p.m.

February	W-L-T Pts GF GA
1 Mt. Vernon.....	6:15 p.m.
7 Carbondale.....	6:15 p.m.
14 at Gibault.....	6:15 p.m.
15 East St. Louis.....	6:15 p.m.
21 at Carbondale.....	6:15 p.m.
28 Waterloo.....	6:15 p.m.

March

1 at Marion.....	6:15 p.m.
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Terry Eddleman Billiard League

Men's League

Standings after 16 weeks	A Division
Gabbys #1.....	1722
Ken's.....	1691
Side Pocket.....	1688
Gabbys #2.....	1640
Inn Between.....	1630
The Break.....	1622
Besserman's.....	1566

The Break 123, Gabbys #1 112	Side Pocket 106, Lemmys 103
Inn Between 116, Gabbys #2 104	

Run from Break	Mike Duke (Inn Between)
Herb Ousley (Side Pocket)	

The Finish Line.....	1820
Village Inn.....	1725
Al's 520 #1.....	1712
Al's 520 #2.....	1702
Sammy's.....	1688
Wayside.....	1694
Ken's.....	1654
Wayside #2.....	1634

The Finish Line 117, Sammy's 105	Wayside #1 109, Al's 520 #2 104
Wayside #2 115, Al's 520 #1 105	

Eight Ball on Break	Mark Linhart (Al's 520 #2)
Don Ray (Sammy's)	

Steel Inn.....	1811
Don & Brenda's.....	1775
Lin's Place.....	1765
The V Lounge.....	1718
Hooch & Sixteen.....	1705
Old Bridge Inn.....	1682
Besserman's.....	1666
El Gato.....	1550

Don & Brenda's 110, Hooch & Sixteen 109	Steel Inn 113, Lin's Place 108
31 Gato 107, Besserman's 101	

Run from Break

Bill Riggins (Steel Inn)

Bob Pierce (Don & Brenda's)

D Division	W-L-T Pts GF GA
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Game

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and coaches is the weather. Temperatures for game time at Lambeau Field are expected to be in the single digits with a wind chill approaching 30 below.

Greene is no stranger to the frozen tundra of Green Bay. He has played at Lambeau three times, including a 1992 game with the Rams when the wind chill was minus-20 and, most recently, with the Steelers in the final game of the 1990 regular season, when the air temperature hovered near zero.

"There is no way to prepare physically for such conditions," Greene admits. "Preparation is all mental. You simply have to tell yourself that you're going to be absolutely miserable for 3½ hours. You must accept that fact. And you must determine that in spite of it, you will go all out."

And the reason for such a "grit your teeth and give it your all" mindset is quite simple in Greene's estimation.

"Because there's a ring waiting for you," Greene said. "Playing in last year's Super Bowl (with the Pittsburgh Steelers) was an incredible

experience. But we came up short. That creates a deep hunger inside; a desire to go all the way. When that ring is finally on your finger, it is worth all the pain and effort."

A Super Bowl ring for Carolina may not be as far-fetched as some think. Granted, the second-year expansion Panthers are 12½ point underdogs and are playing on the new but still frozen sod of Lambeau Field. But Carolina has won eight straight games, including last week's dethroning of Dallas.

And then there's the Carolina chemistry.

"It's tremendous to play here. There's just something about this team," said Greene, groping for just the right words. "From the owners and management, down to the coaches, staff and players, there is something truly special about this organization and about what is happening in Carolina. There's a commitment from top to bottom to do whatever it takes to produce a championship team. There's a certain winning chemistry."

But it will take more than chemistry to beat what is arguably the best team in professional football. If the Pack-

ers are not the best, then they are certainly the hottest. They clinched the home-field advantage throughout the NFC playoffs this season and are coming off last week's 35-14 win over San Francisco.

No one knows that better than Carolina coach Dom Capers, who all week has preached to his team the "Three Essentials For Victory": "don't turn the ball over," "stop the run" and "establish the run."

If it were up to Kevin Greene, there might be a fourth item on that list: "Sack Brett Favre." As the league leader in sacks with 14½, Greene would like nothing better than to add to that total today against Green Bay.

But, Greene points out, "Favre is highly mobile and has a rocket arm. We must show him a different look every snap. If we stand back and play straight-up against Favre, he'll pick us apart."

Watching Greene take aim at Favre and the Packers on national television this morning will be a special thrill for the Panthers' fans — not to mention his family and his friends in Granite City.



Belleville West's Ben Wanless, (40) battles Rob Turck for possession.

Warriors

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ite City floor game began to sputter.

The Warriors led by 11 after three frames and were still up by 10 with 2:22 left when East St. Louis made their stretch run. A sudden 22-3 spurt had the Flyers within one, 64-63, with 16.3 seconds left. And when Kyle Briggs hit only one of two shots from the line, the Flyers had the ball and were down by two with only 12.6 seconds to go.

They worked the ball across the perimeter to Kirkpatrick, whose shot drew iron. But bounced off. Hughes tipped it back toward the hoop, where it glanced off the iron and into Granite City's hands at the buzzer.

Dennis Jones paced the Flyers with 28 points. Johnson added 16. Hughes had 13 and Kirkpatrick finished with nine.

Briggs had 17 points. Jeff Hoening added 14 and Smith had 13. Granite City outbounded East Side 31-23 and hit 58 percent of its field goals.

And though they took only 12 shots in the second half, the Warriors made them count, hitting at a 67 percent clip.

"East St. Louis turned it up a notch the last quarter-and-a-half," Van Bunkirk said. "They could smell the victory. But our boys kept their composure, and that was the difference."

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Tigers

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and Green both know that shooting range must increase.

If it is a matter of hard work and discipline, Green will succeed. He is determined to devote the time and energy needed to become as much of a force on offense as he already is on defense. If he can extend his range and take more shots, adding another six or eight points per game to his average of 14 per outing, both Green and Lincoln will become much more dangerous.

Green's athletic ability extends beyond the basketball court to the soccer field, where he was a fullback on Lincoln's soccer squad last fall. But his true love is basketball.

But if Lincoln is to reach the consistency necessary to play with southern Illinois' best this season, Green's game must continue improving.

"Our problem as a team right now is that we don't really have a leader," Green said. "No one has stepped forward. I'm going to have to be the one."

This much is certain: Tuesday night the Lincoln star took one giant step forward.

(Each week one varsity athlete will be selected by the Journal sports staff as the Illinois Journal Cardinals Club Athlete of the Week. Selected athletes will be featured in newspapers throughout the Journal's coverage area.)

Greene

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ing only 185 pounds. "But he was a great kid with a great heart, who always played hard," McKechan said.

Now the Granite City athletic director, McKechan remembers the time Kevin slammed the football over the goal post following a touchdown. "He was whistled for a penalty," the former coach recalled with a smile. "He was so upset with the call that we had trouble getting him to come off the field."

After graduating in 1981, Greene was a walk-on at Auburn University and didn't make the team until his junior year. He became a starter his two final years, and the Los Angeles Rams drafted him in the fifth round in 1985.

From the Rams, Kevin went to Pittsburgh, where he was an integral part of last year's Steelers team that reached the Super Bowl, only to lose to the

Cowboys.

But when the salary cap prevented Pittsburgh from meeting his salary demands, Greene took his services to Carolina.

"He's a first class player at a first class organization," McKechan said. "The Panthers' owner is a Christian, and that was important to Kevin. In fact, Kevin and Carolina are a perfect match — both committed, both first class."

McKechan admitted to being very excited when he sees Kevin Greene play football on television.

"And we're proud," he added. "We are proud of what Kevin has accomplished. He has gone farther than any Granite City athlete. He is a role model for today's youth. Though his parents do not live in Granite City, we still hold an important place in his life."

"I did most of my growing up in Granite City," Greene

explained. "The place and the people are important to me. I feel I owe them something for all they have given me."

Greene returns to Granite City every spring, speaking to the high school students and taking time to talk with them and sign autographs. He shares from his own life experiences and passes on the lessons he has learned in words young people today can relate to.

"The thing that means the most to me," said McKechan, "is that Kevin has never forgotten us."

"My success didn't happen automatically," Greene said. "Success never does. Success begins with a dream, nourished in the heart, fed by family and friends and teachers and coaches who teach and encourage you."

"But," he adds, "the dream must become your ultimate focus. You must have tunnel vision leading to your goal. You must go any distance, pay any price to reach it. The higher you set the bar, the greater the sacrifice. Dreams mean nothing without total dedication to achieve them."

If Carolina does upset Green Bay today, for Greene it will be just one more dream come true.

Sports shorts

K of C contest
The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a free-throw contest beginning at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 19 at the K of C Hall, located at 4225 Old Alton Road in Granite City.

Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. Boys and girls ages 10-14 years are eligible, and proof of age is required. Winners will advance to the next level.

For more information, call Bob Palus at 451-8988.

Park league sign-ups
The Granite City Park District is now taking registration for boys and girls wanting to play youth baseball, tee-ball or ponyball softball this summer.

The sign-ups are for boys and girls born 1983 through 1990. The 1997 summer park leagues but are not currently on a park district team or have never played in the park district leagues.

Boys and girls who will be ages 6-16 may have their name placed on the list. Every effort will be made to place them on a team.

Boys and girls tee-ball is for

ages 6-7, youth baseball is for ages 8-16 and ponyball softball is for ages 8-16.

New teams are formed from the compiled list. Names on the list are also used by managers of existing teams that need to fill their rosters.

Anyone interested in coaching or managing a youth baseball, tee-ball or ponyball softball team may visit the Wilson Park office or call recreation supervisor Ray Hoffman at 877-3059.

Soccer registration
Open registration for the Granite City Soccer Club will be held every Tuesday and Thursday in January from 6 to 8 p.m. at the soccer complex concessions building, located at Illinois 3 and North Street.

Registration is for boys and girls born 1983 through 1990. Children born in 1993 may register for the instructional fun soccer camp. If interested, call 876-9000.

Cougars tourney
The Florissant Cougars annual soccer tournament will be held Feb. 17-March 2 at the Jamestown Sports Complex. The competition is for boys and girls K1 through U-18.

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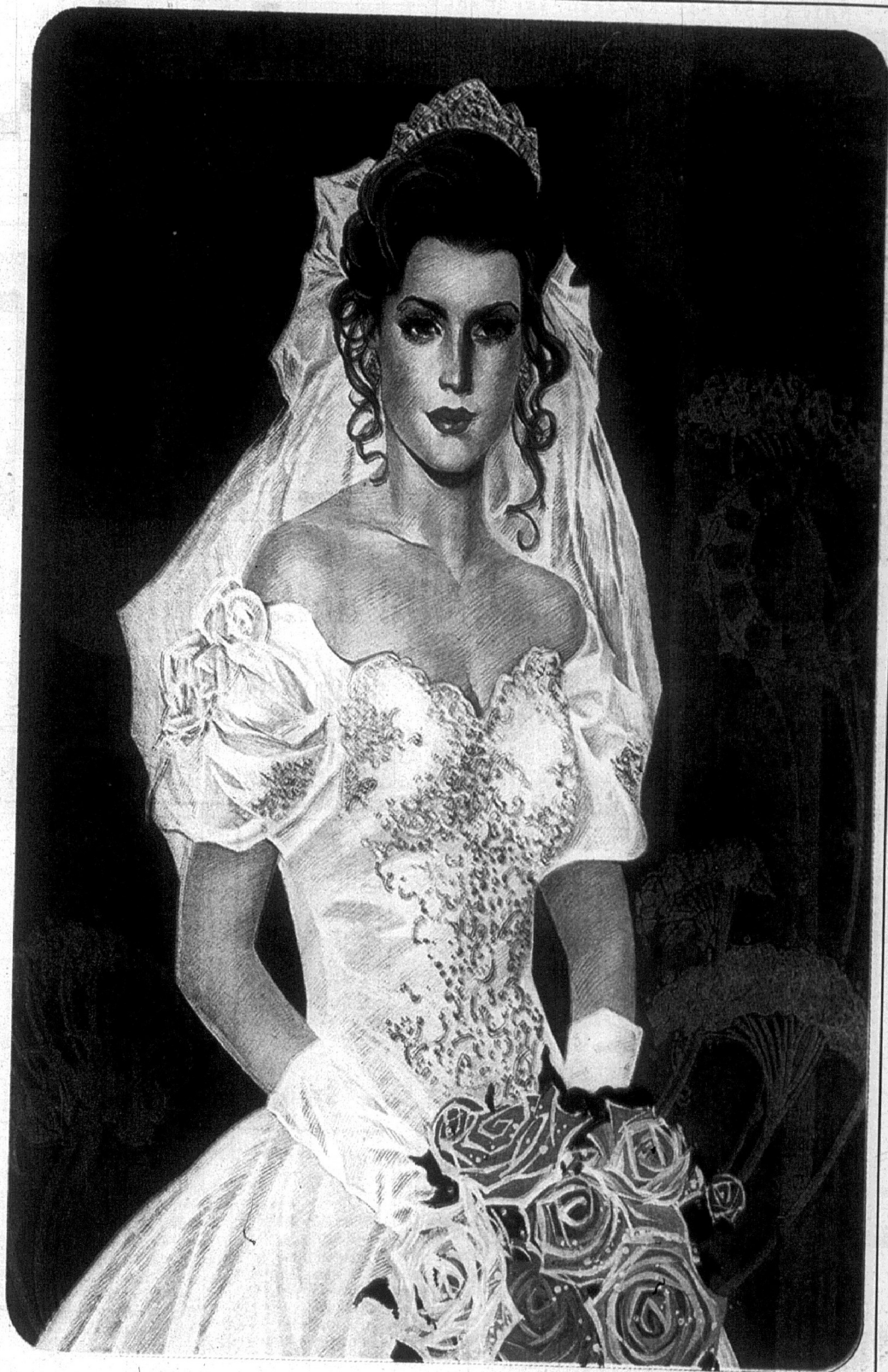
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BRIDAL SECTION



Bridal Concepts One Inc. opened in 1995 in Belleville.

Shop offers wedding planning

Bridal Concepts One Inc. opened its doors on March 26, 1995, and is located at 6500 West Main (the Arcades) in Belleville. The shop is owned and operated by M. Clare Burford and Kareen Adamson.

The only Bridal and Wedding Planning boutique in the area, Bridal Concepts One is accredited with the Association of Bridal Consultants. Clare and Kareen will plan the entire wedding for you — from the engagement party to the honeymoon.

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Clare Burford and Kareen Adamson of co-owners of Bridal Concepts One.



mother of the bride, prom, tuxedos and other accessories, the shop is known for "the ultimate in personal service" to its customers. By pampering the bride-to-be, they have earned the reputation, "No one does it better."

"We started this business because of our love for people and we wanted to give this area an honest, full-service

wedding planning they could feel completely comfortable with," said Clare Burford, owner.

Bridal Concepts One Inc. is a member of the Better Business Bureau and the American Bridal Association.

Clare and Kareen invite you to visit their shop and experience the relaxed atmosphere and the great selection of wedding things.

Hall manager can help you find your DJ

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

When selecting a disc jockey for a wedding reception, you first might want to consider consulting the manager of the banquet hall.

Jack Wier, co-owner of Night Magic in Fairview Heights, said a banquet hall manager is one of the best sources you can get.

"I consider getting a favorable recommendation from one of those folks as the highest there is," he said.

Other good sources include the caterers, your friends and the yellow pages.

Disc jockeys, which began replacing the bands at receptions in the 1980s, appear here to stay, Wier said.

A former band member, Wier said a disc jockey is able to offer a variety of services, which a band can't provide.

"And instead of relying on five or six members, you have only one person's time schedule to be concerned about when you hire a disc jockey," he said.

While most people think being a disc jockey is easy, Wier insists it's not.

"In this industry, experience pays off," he said.

Wier said he believes a disc jockey needs to ensure two things at a wedding: the guests are having a good time and dancing and the bride and groom are happy.

"I look for a hassle-free wedding," he said.

To that end, Wier encourages a bride and groom to plan ahead.

"I feel the disc jockey who goes the extra step and helps plan the reception will keep the reception flowing along," Wier said.

Wier also encourages couples to book a disc jockey as early as possible.

"We book on average nine



Jack Wier

months to a year in advance," Wier said.

Music should be selected that caters to all of the guests.

"Play a mixture for every age group who will be coming," Wier said.

He also encourages the couple to select the song for the first dance prior to the day of the reception.

"To me the first dance is the couple's song," he said.

Wier also encourages couples to shop around. He pointed out that most disc jockeys are paid for working four hours initially.

"Around \$300 is the going rate," he said.

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By Nicole
Staff writer

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Calligraphy: special touch for invitation

By Joe Leicht
Staff writer

Hand-inscribing your wedding invitations in classic calligraphy will add a special, memorable touch to your wedding preparations, but it's a challenging task for the uninitiated. If you plan to send out 80-100 invitations for a June wedding, late March or early April won't be too early to begin the pen work.

"It takes 10 to 15 minutes for one invitation, in my experience," said Margaret Price, a Waterloo artist and owner of Price Printing.

Price, who hand-letters invitations, birthday greetings and sympathy cards for her church (Bible Chapel in south St. Louis County), said she took up calligraphy to clean up her penmanship.

"I had given a lady at my church a Bible verse that I've transcribed when she was ill, and she said to me, 'Pardon me, but your handwriting is terrible. Why don't you learn calligraphy?'" Price laughed.

Learning the art of "beautiful writing" requires patience, but Price thinks that anyone can do it. She recommends a trip to an office supply store, then a trip to the public library for the calligraphy neophyte.

Several how-to books on calligraphy have been written, and most standard calligraphy sets come with an instructional manual. A typical set costs about \$30, Price said, but it's OK to "cheat" and use a self-contained, hard-felt calligraphy marker rather than the distinctive nib-and-cartridge instrument.

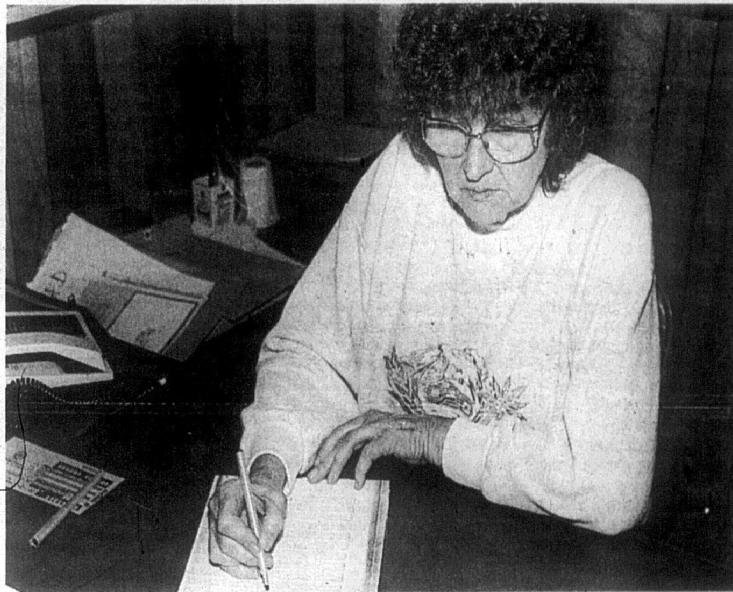
"The three most important things you have to remember about calligraphy is to always keep your pen at a 45-degree angle, to keep your wrist and arm loose and, if possible, tilt the surface you're writing on. Sometimes it also helps to lay

the paper at an angle," Price said.

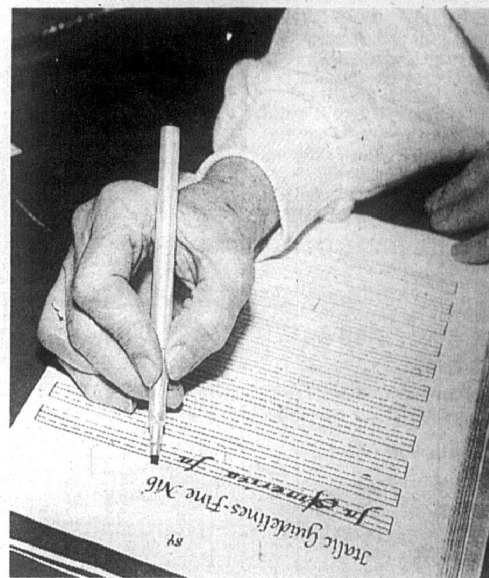
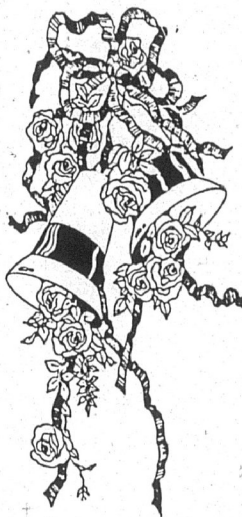
Gothic and chancery italic are two of the more popular calligraphy styles. Most hand motions are north-to-south, with deliberate stops between letters and directional breaks within individual letters.

Price said she does a light pencil mock-up for her cards. "I wait 24 hours then after I've gone over with the ink before I erase the pencil lines because otherwise you'd smear your work. And I always use a soft, malleable eraser.

"(Calligraphy) would be a very unique way to produce your invitations, and it would certainly make an impression on your friends and guests," Price said.



(Staff photos by JOE LEICHT)
Above, Margaret Price, a Waterloo artist and owner of Price Printing, concentrates as she hand-letters an invitation. At right, a closeup of the art of calligraphy.



Wedding gowns now coming ready-to-wear

Quell surprise! After decades of bridal clothes that were a stylistic backwater, well-known designers now are bringing their ready-to-wear mentality to wedding attire.

Among fashion names now showing bridal collections are the Italian houses of Armani and Dolce & Gabbana, Jasper Conran based in London, and Badgley Mischka and Nicole Miller Ltd., both of New York.

Armani and Nicole Miller even include the groom and his attendants in their calculations, with tuxedos (Armani) and printed bow ties, cummerbunds, shorts and cufflinks

(Miller).

Designers have, of course, always done custom bridal dresses. The difference is that the new collections are for everyone — provided in many cases that they have lots of jingle in their jeans. Armani bridal dresses start at about \$5,400 and even a crinoline is \$830. Badgley Mischka dresses range from \$2,000 to \$8,000.

The difference between a traditional bridal dress and one of these designer gowns? In the case of Badgley Mischka, whose glamorous evening wear is worn by the likes of Winona Ryder and Sharon Stone, "the

silhouettes are slinky — chiseled long columns, fishtail gowns — more like ready-to-wear silhouettes," says Mark Badgley.

The company's trademark opulent fabrics — hammered satin, silk netting covered in pearl and crystal, embellishments such as beadwork and embroidery — hark back to a 1930s Hollywood look.

While much of it is expensive, not all of the new bridal attire costs an arm and a leg. Designs by Nicole Miller range from about \$250 to \$770. The clothes are the same designs as the company's regular line in dressy

fabrics such as silk dupioni and moss crepe. Satin suits, considered appropriate for a mother of the bride or groom, sell for between \$250 and \$400.

The Nicole Miller Co. was surprised at the success of its first collection of eight bridesmaids' dresses about two years ago.

"We thought we would do \$1 million worth of business, and we sold \$8 million," says Lisa Brigham, national sales manager.

The pull appeared to be the fact that the dresses looked exactly like the rest (See GOWNS, Page 10)

BRIDAL SECTION

Travel agents can help with honeymoons

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

Besides planning the actual wedding, what is the next important thing to plan?

The honeymoon trip. With a little help from your travel agent, the honeymoon trip can be a cinch to plan. The first thing most agents will ask the couple to do is set a budget and then pick three or four potential destinations, said Uliana Buxton of Ambassador Travel and Cruises, Belleville.

According to Lori Pollard of Creative Travel in Granite City, money is often the deciding factor in a honeymoon trip.

"A lot of couples are controlled by money," she said.

Most couples will choose such destinations as the Jamaica, Cancun or just about anywhere in the Caribbean.

"The number one destination is Jamaica and the Sandals Resorts. That is total, total, ultra luxury. In Jamaica alone there are seven Sandals Resorts," Buxton said.

The Sandals Resorts are an all-inclusive package, allowing the honeymooners to pay one price for all of their expenses, such as airfare, hotel accommodations, etc.

"You're paying one price

and when you get there all you need is your spending money," Pollard said.

Popular destinations within the United States include Disneyland and Disneyworld, Colorado and Hawaii.

However, Buxton said many couples are uncertain where they want to go when they visit a travel agent.

Consequently, the agent must try to find out the honeymooners' likes and dislikes.

"It's easy to kind of prod out what they like to do. We ask their hobbies, do they like to sit around, dance, or be near the water," Buxton said.

Many times, couples are referred to agents through word of mouth or a friend.

Buxton said agents must be able to tell the client the (See AGENTS, Page 10)



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Uliana Buxton looks through her computer for information on air fares.

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Bridal Extravaganza: 3rd annual event set for Jan. 19

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

If planning a wedding is in your future, Collinsville's Gateway Center is the place to be Jan. 19.

That's where the third annual Bridal Extravaganza will be held from noon to 4 p.m. The event will have more than 30 exhibitors offering a variety of services for the special day, including beauty

aids, jewelry, photography, travel, catering, floral arrangements, limousines and music and disc jockey options. The show, in its third year at Gateway Center, is the largest

in Southwestern Illinois. It will be held in the center's new carpeted ballroom, the first event to be held in the recently completed 12,000-square-foot expansion.

More than 2,000 people attended last year's show, according to show officials. A jewelry demonstration by Premier Designs is scheduled for 12:45 p.m.

Musical entertainment, featuring singer Lisa Eskar, is set for 1:15 p.m.

The bridal fashion show follows at 2 p.m.

The show is presented by Faber and Partners and co-sponsored by the Suburban Journals, and Illinois' own radio station, 880 AM WINU.

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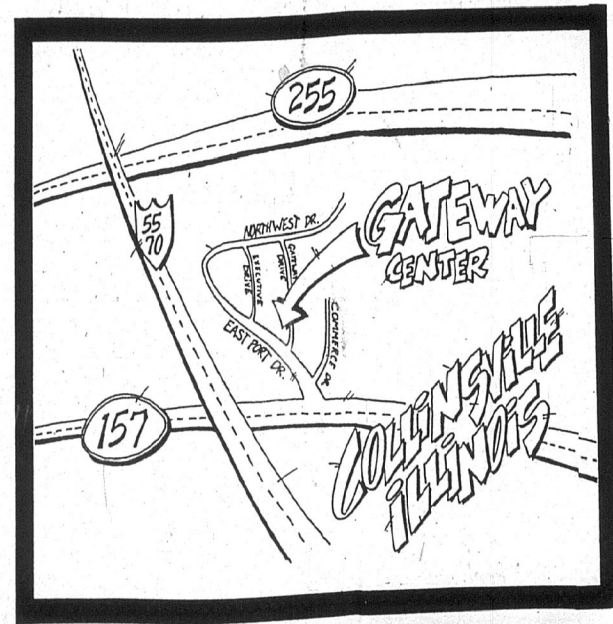
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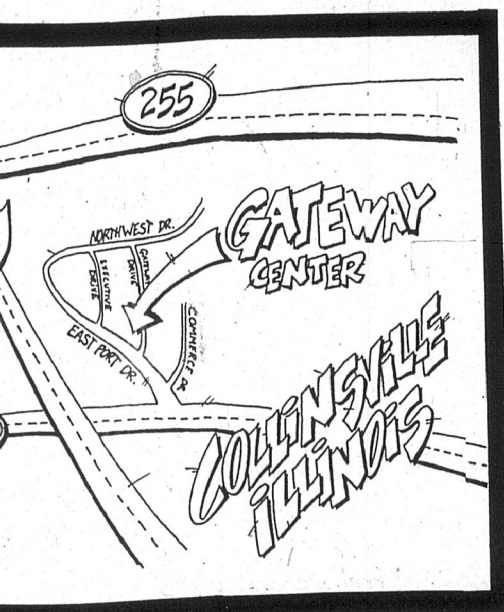
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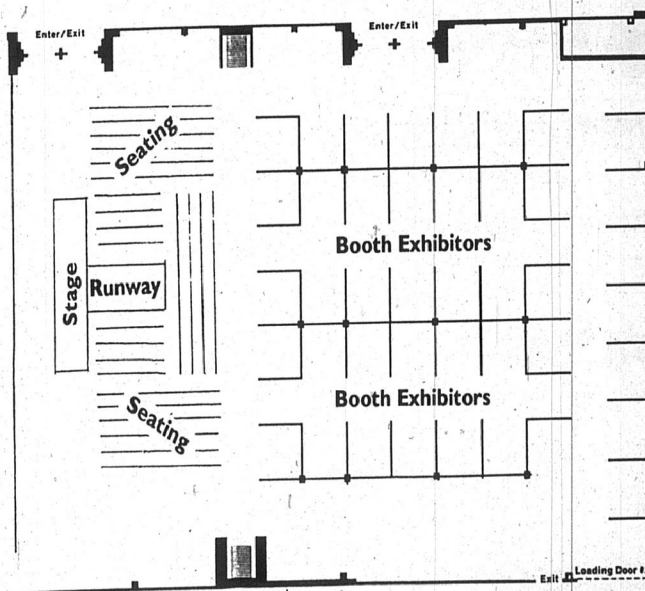
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3:15	Lisa Eskar — Vocalist

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BRIDAL SECTION

Don't let your limo service take you for a ride

By Jason White
Staff writer

A limousine can give a bride and groom the ride of their lives — until the couple finds out they've been taken for a ride.

Most rental companies are honest, but poor planning can make your bill higher than expected. Before you rent, consider the following questions:

• How much is the gratuity charge? 15 to 20 percent is typ-

ical.

• How much is the minimum hourly charge? The usual minimum is three or four hours.

• Does the company offer discounted rates for extended hours? The more hours you

rent, the less you pay.

• Is there a charge for driving to the wedding party's point of origin? Some companies split the cost, others will charge the full hourly rate for

driving to and from the rental service.

• Is the limo the right size? The bigger the car, the higher the cost; limos range in size from six to 14 passengers.

• Are beverages included in the price? Most limos have a bar, but not all of them are wet.

• Is the rate computed by the hour, by mileage, or both?

• How much is the hourly rate? Most rental services charge from \$35 to \$50 an hour, although rates can go as high as \$100 an hour.

• How much is the company insured for? The state requires a minimum of \$350,000, which is all most companies have. Ask whether the insurance covers passengers.

Dealers also recommend asking about the following features:

- Sound system;
- Smoking or non-smoking;
- Leather, cloth or velour interior;
- Audio/visual privacy glass;
- Red carpet service;
- Sunroof

The condition of the car plays a big role in the quality of your limo experience. Never rent a limo without looking at it. Ask the manager for maintenance records. Make sure the drivers have their chauffeur's licenses and are suitably attired.

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Choosing a photographer: Ask those questions first

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

Choosing a wedding photographer can be a snap if you plan ahead and are prepared to ask questions, said two area photographers.

Gerry Friedrich, an award-winning photographer at Crafty Eye Photography in Belleville, said people should not be hesitant to ask a photographer several questions before awarding the job.

For example, people should find out how far in advance they need to book their photographer.

"Most photographers book anywhere from seven months to a year in advance," said Friedrich who was recognized as the state's top wedding photographer in 1995.

Friedrich said people should also:

- ✓ Ask to meet the photographer who will take the pictures and ask whether he will be working with an assistant.
- ✓ Ask the photographer to show some samples of his work. Friedrich pointed out that there are two different types of photographers,

including those who are commonly known as photojournalists and portrait artists. A portrait artist typically takes posed photographs, he said. A photojournalist takes more candid shots.

✓ Ask the photographer if he plans to help organize the wedding day.

✓ If you want a special photograph, tell the photographer prior to the ceremony.

"If you don't see a particular photograph in his portfolio, chances are he won't take it if you don't ask," Friedrich said.

✓ Ask the photographer if he is on a time limit and how many shots he plans to take. Friedrich said a photojournalist — in most instances — will take more pictures than a portrait artist.

✓ Ask the photographer about his credentials. Most professional photographers are members of the Professional Photograph of America and/or the Illinois Professional Photograph Association.

✓ Ask the photographer if you will be able to see the proofs.

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This is an example of work done by wedding photographer Gerry Friedrich.

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of the Nicole Miller line. Brides also bought the dresses, available in ivory.

This fall, a more bride-like dress in ivory double-faced satin, for about \$520, was introduced to retailers. But don't expect to identify it as a bridal dress.

"We dropped the word 'bridesmaid' from the catalog after the first collection because the dresses are suitable as evening wear and we didn't to turn possible customers off," Brigham says.

Traditionally, wedding attire has been ordered in bridal shops from samples and a wait of up to three months is required before finished dresses are ready. The ready-to-wear companies have speeded things up. Armani promises delivery within six weeks of placing the order. Nicole Miller takes about two weeks to fill orders. And Brigham says they've responded to emergencies when people needed dresses in three days.

Forces driving the innovations in design and services include the changing nature of brides and the changing nature of the apparel industry.

"Brides are older, more sophisticated and surer of their own personal tastes, and many want a dress in keeping with ready-to-wear trends with which they are familiar," says Maria McBride Mellinger, a writer on bridal subjects based in New York, whose most recent book is "The Perfect Wedding."

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good and the bad of their vacation spot.

"You have to advise them where it is — like if it is near a waterfall or an airport. Many say if they only would have known, they would have spent the extra money. You can probably call five different places and get five different prices," she said.

Travel specialists must also act as counselors to couples, advising them of the need for birth certificates, passports, spending money, car rentals and the foreign language they may run into while on their trip.

"They're usually pretty good at asking questions — and there are no stupid questions," Buxton said.

If couples have problems paying for a honeymoon trip, Buxton suggests the bridal party set up a little fund. By donating funds toward the honeymoon trip, the expense will be less for the couple and the gift will be easy for the guest.

Beauty takes plans and care

The glowing face you want to show to the world on your wedding day doesn't develop overnight. Like everything else involved in the event, it takes pre-planning care.

"Many brides think having a facial right before the big day will magically improve their skin, when in fact it can have the opposite effect," says Giella, consultant for Luminique Skin Care products at Vidal Sassoon Salons. "For facials and other treatments such as glycolic acid to really work, they must be done with consistency. Start having regular facials at least three months in advance."

You don't have to become engaged to start on a skin regime, but to ensure a radiant wedding day complexion, take care that your skin is consistently balanced and hydrated, she says. "Good skin creates a flawless canvas."

Two common categories of skin type are normal-to-dry and normal-to-oily, and the specialist notes that most cosmetics companies offer products tailored to work for your type and that you will like to use. These could be cleansing milks or gels that have essential oils and other plant-based ingredients.

Ask a trained professional for advice before using additional products such as an eye cream and glycolic acid

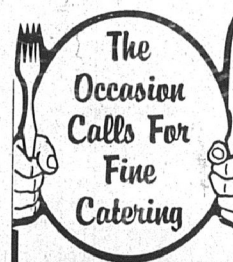
treatment cream.

If there are bumps along the way, she has this advice:

"Never, ever pick at your face. Blemishes heal better when they are left alone.

Always drink lots of water and most of all, don't worry. A pimple won't ruin your wedding day. You will still be beautiful."

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A-1 rents wedding accessories

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Brides-to-be shouldn't be put off by the lawn and garden equipment and other machinery that greets them as they enter A-1 Rental, 1200 Belt Line Road in Collinsville.

They just need to walk past it to get to the business's bridal section.

"The lawnmowers are all people see at first," said Wonda Karibian of A-1. "Once they come in (to the bridal section) they're amazed."

It's a lot easier to describe what A-1 doesn't rent for weddings from its Collinsville and Edwardsville locations than to list what it does.

Basically, they don't rent the bride's gown, the groom's tuxedo or the couples' rings.

"People just don't realize they can rent as much as they can," Karibian said. "When they first come in, I always ask 'How far are you?' and we go from there."

From arches to accent the aisle or for the couple to stand under — there are both wooden and brass versions in a variety of styles — to the centerpieces on the tables at the reception, you can rent it

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— Wonda Karibian

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Altar flowers? Candleabra? Roman columns? Skirting for the reception tables? Tents for an outdoor affair?

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"You can make a whole cathedral in your backyard," Karibian said. "You can have an outside event — complete with real china plates — and the only thing you'd have to do is get a caterer and bring your groom."

And for those looking for something different, they can rent that, too. One example is the traditional wishing well used to collect cards. A-1 has satin mailboxes and metal

birdcages that serve the same function.

Tables, chairs, china, silverware and bar glasses, champagne fountains and a whole host of catering dishes — all are available for rent.

And what the business doesn't rent, it sells. A-1 handles everything from wedding invitations to the sale of ringbearer pillows, unity candles, balloons, guest books and glasses for the happy couple to toast one another.

And for the faint of heart when it comes to decorating, A-1 also offers hall set-up, decorating and tear-down services.

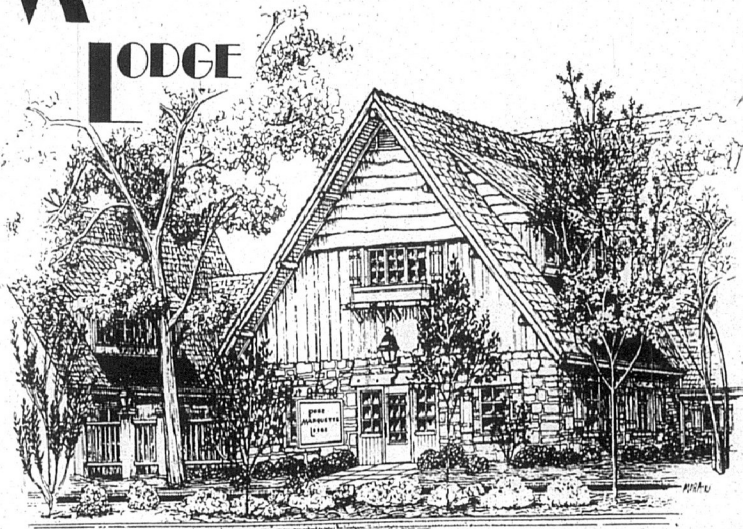
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Wonda Karibian with some wedding items available for rent.



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✓ Ask how long will it take for the wedding album to be finished. Friedrich said this time frame varies from photographer to photographer.

✓ Ask the photographer if his prices are subject to change and what his prices include.

Mike Nichols of Mike Nichols Photography in Collinsville said there are some qualities that are accepted as representative of the art of wedding photography.

"Good photographers often create images with some or all of these qualities," he said.

Nichols pointed out that while photographers have distinct and creative styles, there are several characteristics usually seen in "fine" wedding photography, including:

✓ Clear photographs. The backgrounds should be clear and visible on the photographs, especially on the altar group photos.

✓ The wedding gown should be clearly detailed and not appear washed out or flat.

"There is no such thing as 'red eyes' in professional finished photographs," Nichols said.

✓ Selecting the right wedding album. The album and photographs should have a guarantee, Nichols said.

"A wedding album should tell a story, be well-crafted and professionally assembled," he added.

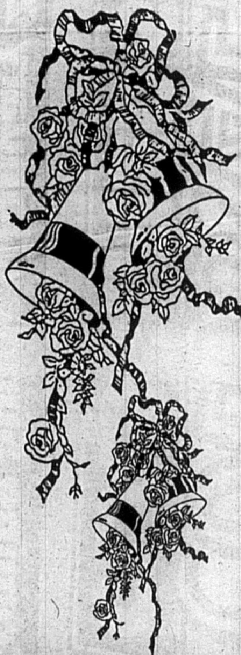
✓ The bride and groom, families and friends should look happy and be having a great time in the photographs.

✓ The ceremony images should offer both close up and over-

all views. The reception events are part of the story, too, Nichols said.

But most important of all, Nichols and Friedrich said a wedding day should be stress-free and fun for the couple.

"Make sure you enjoy it," Friedrich said.



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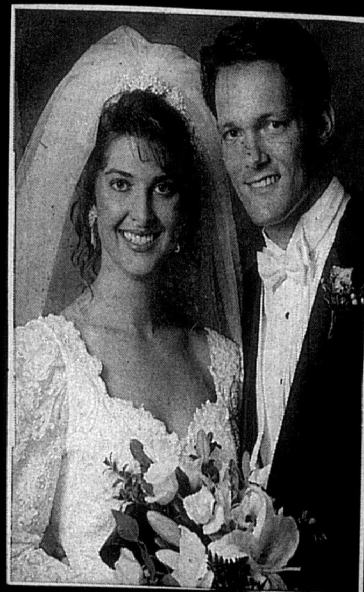
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